

(a) whether a deputation on behalf of the Travancore Co-operative Institute waited on them on the 18th Edavam 1106;

(b) if so, whether anything has been done in accordance with their representation;

(c) whether they had requested that co-operative movement in general, and non-official institutions in particular, should be encouraged; and

(d) if so, whether anything has been done accordingly?

MR. C. N. SRIRENGANATHA SASTRI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*):

(a) Yes.

(b) Government have ordered that the representations should be referred to the Committee on co-operation to be constituted shortly.

(c) Yes.

(d) *Vide answer to part (b) supra.*

Disbursement of agricultural loans through co-operative societies.

68. **MR. M. N. NARAYANA MENON** (*Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Banking Enquiry Committee, the Economic Depression Enquiry Committee, the Registrar of Co-operative Societies and non-official institutions have requested the Government that a portion of the agricultural loans granted by them every year should be disbursed through co-operative societies; and

(b) if so, whether they have done anything accordingly?

MR. C. N. SRIRENGANATHA SASTRI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*):

(a) Yes.

(b) Government have ordered that the matter should be referred to the Committee on co-operation to be constituted shortly.

Encouragement of non-officials in co-operative movement.

69. **MR. M. N. NARAYANA MENON** (*Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether their attention has been drawn to paragraph 5 of the Administration Report for 1106, wherein the Registrar of Co-operative Societies has stated that non-officials should be encouraged in co-operative movement;

(b) whether non-officials have requested the Government to afford adequate encouragement to the Travancore Co-operative Institute; and

(c) if so, whether anything has been done accordingly?

MR. C. N. SRIRENGANATHA SASTRI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*):

(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) Government have ordered that the matter should be referred to the Committee on co-operation to be constituted shortly.